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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER OF  
REPLY AND REQUEST FOR  
RECONSIDERATION WITH  
AMENDMENT**

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Art Unit  
1638

Invention Title  
**PLANT CELL DEATH SYSTEM**

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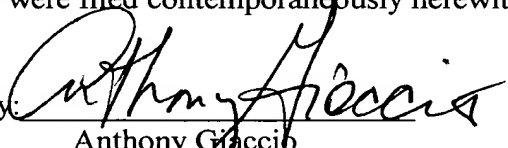
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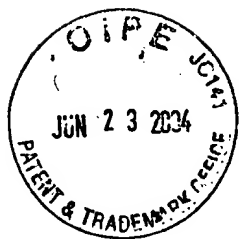
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Sir:

This paper is in reply to an Office Action dated December 24, 2003. Accordingly, applicant respectfully petitions for a three month extension of time to file this response on or before June 24, 2004 and provides payment of the required fee for a 3 month extension of time in the accompanying transmittal.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application in view of the amendments and remarks made herein.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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